pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of families assisted under Integrated Rural Devfelopment Programme during the last six months; and

(b) the number of families likely to be benefited during the year 1991?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI UTTAMBHAI H. PATEL); (a) The total number of families assisted as reported by the States | UTs Governments from December, 1990 to May, 1991 is 16.19 lakhs.f|

(b) The number of families likely to be assisted during the year 1991-92 is 22.54 lakhs.

भारत तथा पाकिस्तान के रक्षा बजट

318. **श्री शंकर दयाल सिंह**: क्या रक्षा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि पाकिस्तान ने अपने रक्षा बजट में 11 प्रतिशत की वृद्धि करके भारत की सुरक्षा के लिए समस्याएं खड़ी कर दी हैं; और

(ख) इस स्थिति से निपटने के लिए भारत की ओर से क्या उपाय किए जा रहे हैं?

रक्षा मंत्री (श्री शरद पवार): (क) प्रकाशित सूचना के अनुसार पाकिस्तान के 1991-92 के रक्ष बजट में पिछले वर्ष के मुकाबले 11.6 प्रतिशत की वृद्धि हुई है।

(ख) सरकार देश की सुरक्षा को प्रभावित करने वाली सभी गतिविधियों पर लगातार नजर रखती है और कारगर रक्षा तैयारी सुनिश्चित करने के लिए समुचित उपाय करती है।

Number of Fair Price Shops and Public Distribution Out-lets

319. SHRI NE. BALARAM: Will the PRIME MINISTER! be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of Fair Pric e Shops and Public Distribution Out-lets in rural and urban areas, separately and the population covered thereby, State-wise;

(b) whether Government propose to open more Fair Price Shops and Public Distribution Out-lets to cover more population and bring more items under its purview; and

(c) if so, the detail- thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CD7IL SUPPLIES AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED): (a) A statement showing the number of Fair Price Shops in rural and urban areas and the population covered in each State as on 31-12-1989 is enclosed. (See beloio)

(b) and (c) Implementation of the Public Distribution System (PDS), including the decisions to open more FPSs is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments and UT Administrations. The Central Government has, among other things, advised them, to open more FPSs in uncovered and undercovered areas, to use vans as mobile outlets of PDS items in far-flung and remote areas and to distribute, on their own, additional items of mass consumption such as salt, pulses, soaps, matches, tea etc. to consumers by using PDS outlets.

Statement

The number of Fair Price Shops in rural and urban areas state-wise and the population covered bv issue of ration cards as on 31-12-89.

Sl.N.	Name of State/UT	Number of FPS		Population covered by ssue of ration cards
		Rural	Urban	
1	Andhra Pradesh	28729	6758	6,32,33,795
2	Arunachal Pradesh	480	67	8,65,751
3	Assam	21545	2630	6,33,465
4	Bihar	32357	7270	6,11,90,000
5	Gujarat	9615	2432	4,39,98,626
6	Goa	412	138	12,47,045
7	Haryana	4487	2021	1,71,00,000
8	Himachal Pradesh .	2931	208	52,58,100
9	Jammu & Kashmir	2054	524	61,026
10	Karnataka	12401	4295	3,71,36,000
11	Kerala	—	12954	2,59,19,522
12	Madhya Pradesh	17613	5392	5,87,44,240
13	Maharashtra	25120	9261	7,40,94,611
14	Manipur	1494	158	7,91,785
15	Meghalaya	2216	847	6,33,465
16	Mizoram	634	128	6,90,000
17	Nagaland	128	190	4,50,000
18	Orissa	18621	2638	2,53,00,000
19	Punjab	8554	2214	2,09,55,263
20	Rajasthan	10471	3728	3,42,59,000
21	Sikkim	697	519	1,70,356
22	Tamil Nadu	17392	3749	6,15,75,116
23	Tripura	1040	120	26,10,497
24	Uttar Pradesh	35608	11146	10,18,66,946
25	West Bengal	15087	4846	6,37,86,005
26	A & N Islands	207	67	3,49,600
27	Chandigarh	37	261	5,70,398
28	D & N Haveli	57	—	1,08,346
29	Delhi	271	3279	1,05,05,954
30	Daman & Diu	16	19	62,426
31	Lakshadweep	18	12	N.A.
V)	Pondicherry	154	173	7,39,334

N.B. : This Ministry does not maintain statistics relating to State-wise urban-ruiai break-up of population covered by issue of ration cards.